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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Declassification, request for

1. Dr. Jerry Combs, Bureau of the Census, said in telecon today that his analysts badly needed declassified draft file copies of the Sections 41 they write. No classified material is used in their preparation of Section 41. By removing all identifying marks, said Dr. Combs, the document would thereby be unclassified. Could we authorize this?

2. I told him I thought this would constitute a security violation in that his file copies would be identical to classified material being circulated throughout the intelligence community. Dr. Combs understands that his files are his own possession, including material used in the preparation of the NIS, and can be used after the Section 41 is submitted for any purpose Census may wish to put them.

3. I checked this out today with PGB who said he did not see any way we could approve this type of declassification in Census. I so told Dr. Combs.

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